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Resolution Re Commissioning of Navy's *USS Milwaukee* Passes Senate

The United States Navy will commission the USS Milwaukee

into active service on November 21, 2015

Madison – Today State Senator Tim Carpenter (D-Milwaukee) thanked his senate colleagues for passing a resolution he authored commemorating the commissioning of the United States Navy's *USS Milwaukee* into active service (SJR 59).

The *USS Milwaukee* is a specialized surface combat vessel intended for operations close to shore. Her keel was laid in October 27, 2011 in Marinette, Wisconsin and was launched in December of 2013. She is currently undergoing sea trials and preparing for active duty.

Senator Carpenter authored the resolution to commemorate what will be the fifth ship to be named by the US Navy for the City of Milwaukee. The first *USS Milwaukee* (1864), was built for the Union Navy during the American Civil War.

"I want to thank the many legislators who added their name to this strongly bi-partisan resolution," said Carpenter.

The United States Navy will commission of the *USS Milwaukee* into active service on Saturday, November 21, 2015. The ceremony will take place in Veteran's Park on the Milwaukee lakefront.

"I encourage my colleagues in the Assembly to pass the resolution in their chambers so that it will be ready by the date the US Navy commissions the *USS Milwaukee*," said Carpenter.

"With this resolution, the legislature will wish Godspeed to the new *USS Milwaukee*, and to all those who serve upon her," said Carpenter.

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